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For: APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR BIOLOGICAL TREATMENT
OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONTAMINANTS AND WASTE

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Entry of the following amendments in advance of a first Office Action on the merits
respectfully is solicited.

Please amend the application as follows:

CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATION

This application is a divisional application of U.S. Application Serial No. 10/043,056,
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IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 1-15 and 17-40.